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In re Application of: Lal et al.

Title: MEMBRANE ASSOCIATED PROTEINS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 94-129 without prejudice.

For the Examiner's convenience, all pending claims are listed below. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

1. An isolated polypeptide selected from the group consisting of:
 - a) a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:26,
 - b) a polypeptide comprising a naturally occurring amino acid sequence at least 90% identical to the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:26,
 - c) a biologically active fragment of a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:26, and
 - d) an immunogenic fragment of a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:26.